

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
AIKEN DIVISION**

LISA JANE VELLUTO KOLB,)
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Plaintiff,)
) **Civil Action No: 1:17-01101-MGL**
vs.)
)
NANCY A. BERRYHILL,)
ACTING)
COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL)
SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,)
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Defendant.)
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On May 9, 2018, Counsel for the Plaintiff, W. Daniel Mayes, filed a motion for attorney's fees and expenses pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. ECF No. 24. The motion seeks reimbursement for counsel's representation in the captioned matter in the amount of \$4,042.75 for fees (20.6 hours at \$196.25 per hour) and \$16.00 for expenses. *Id.* On May 16, 2018, Defendant filed a response indicating it did not oppose the payment of such fees and expenses. ECF No. 25.

In accordance with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586, 595-98 (2010), EAJA fees awarded by this Court belong to the litigant, thus subjecting EAJA fees to offset under the Treasury Offset Program (31 U.S.C. § 3716(c)(3)(B)), and, therefore, this Court directs fees be payable to Plaintiff and delivered to Plaintiff's counsel. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED Plaintiff's motion for attorney's fees and costs pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, be **GRANTED** in the amount of \$4,042.75 for fees and \$16.00 for expenses.

s/ Mary Geiger Lewis
MARY GEIGER LEWIS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

May 17, 2018
Columbia, South Carolina